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Monthly Survey Report - KFried/SDflume - 15 April-15 May 1953

1. Program Content.

KFribby broadcast daily in this period with the exception of 10 and 11 May. Subjects treated prominently included the arrival of the new Soviet Minister, follow-up comment on the Second Congress of the Communist Party, the First of May celebrations and the recent agreement providing for the assignment of Lashoo experts to help the KFashoo production program.

Two new features were introduced to increase the interest of the programs. The first is a series of biographical sketches of prominent and middle-rank Communists based on fresh material obtained from refugees in LDKlake. Brandy has collected most of this material and has written up some of the biographies.

The second new feature is a regular weekly summary of foreign news prepared by C J This is broadcast each Monday -- a light news day usually -- and takes the place of the news section on those days. The news presented in this summary is carefully selected for propaganda effect; no pretense is made of bringing a balanced news roundup. The attribution of the news is always to "free radios of the world."

2. Reaction to KFribby.

A recent border-crosser, Identity (1), former lieutenant in the Nashoo army and former member of the Communist Party, informed C J who interrogated him, that he had definitely heard KFribb in Lyceum East Hill. He was not able to make out too well what was said and had no comments on the content of the broadcasts. He stated further that he was unable to hear the station later in the winter, although he tried several times.

In an effort to determine more exactly the present quality of the signal, tests were conducted on May 4 through May 6. C was sent to Arinlisi and C to Jordu. On the five days of the test 45 separate playings of the daily programs were scheduled -- nine each day. Various wave-lengths were used in an effort to establish the best ones for our purposes. KFribby broadcast only 16 of the 45 scheduled playings, but enough were broadcast to provide answers to some of our questions.

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It appears first that our 60-minutes broadcasts at 1600 GMT are probably audible regularly in the Lyceum area. Our evening programs at 17:30 show the characteristics of a signal just on the edge of the maximum useable frequency for a given circuit use -- some nights may be strong and some nights weak. All indications are that they would improve steadily during the summer. Our late-evening broadcasts at 20:00 GMT are probably not audible in Lyceum but should become so later on in the year. They should be audible elsewhere in Europe, however, and for that reason it is worth continuing them.

Unfortunately, the 43-meter band, which is now the frequency of all our programs and which is for various reasons still the best, is one of the most crowded on the dial. Our signal, though often strong enough to be heard if it were undisturbed, is drowned out by some of the numerous other programs broadcast on this section of the dial.

As a result of these facts, we have decided to continue our afternoon broadcasts on 49 meters; our broadcasts at 1730 will also be continued at 49 meters, a less crowded section of the dial; our broadcast at 20:30 hours will be shifted to 42 meters for better reception in Lyceum, Thessaloniki and Maliby. Miketel will be informed when these changes are carried out.

L The report is forwarded as attachment A, **L** This as attachment B.

3. Reaction to KKEgood

A report passed to us by the local representative of KKEind quotes a Lyceum refugee as stating that the codman was arrested in the Identity (2) area in March for carrying two KKEgood bundles.

4. Reaction to Leaflet Boxes

Another report from the local representative of KKEind reports on a Falang drop in March; it states that reading the newspaper was "like getting a breath of fresh air."

5. Personnel Changes.

Identity (3), a recent arrival from Lyceum, has been recruited through Unite to prepare material for "Truth". He has not been informed in what new his material will be used for believes it is being forwarded to Malia. A background investigation form will be sent to Miketel in the near future.

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